

# **TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT PARTY / EVENT**



For those of you who are returning National Night Out Participants, we want to say it's great to have you on board for this year's event. We think this will be a very exciting year. The NNO 2006 Team is looking forward to working with you this year and striving to make San Antonio the Safest Large City in the United States. If all of our returnees bring a new friend to NNO 2006 this year, imagine what we can accomplish in our fight against crime! Our partnership will continue to grow, as it has for the past several years!

To those of you who are joining us for the first time, we say, "Welcome!" In the pages that follow, you will find a lot of great ideas and suggestions for getting your community, neighborhood or block party together to celebrate a nation-wide annual Crime Prevention Event, National Night Out 2006. This event is an opportunity for all of us to: (1) heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts; (3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) send a message to criminals letting them know our neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. What an exciting time we will have together!

Our theme last year, "FFANs" (Friends, Family And Neighbors) proved so successful, we are going to promote it again this year. So pull out your paper, markers, crayons, whatever you have and get busy designing. Show us your hand fans and your unique perspective on San Antonio. We are one hot city, so get designing and show us your "FFANs"!

The information in the following pages have been updated so please make sure to check them for updates from previous years (this includes some addresses to new or recently moved fire stations.)

The NNO 2006 Team is looking forward to seeing you and your neighbors out and about the streets of San Antonio this summer so check out the following tips and ideas for a really fun time. Let's give Neighborhood Crime a Going Away Party!

Until then,

Beth Hish, Team Leader  
National Night Out 2006  
San Antonio Police Department

## **PARTY / EVENT IDEAS:**

<b><u>FOOD</u></b>	Watermelon	Potluck – bring your specialty	Lemonade & Cookies	Coffee, Tea & Dessert
	Ice Cream Sundaes	Pretzels & chips	Pizza	Barbecue
	Salads	Snow Cones	Hamburgers & Hotdogs	Corn on the Cob
	Fruit and cheese plates	Cookies	Chicken	
<b><u>GROUP CONVERSATION/ MIXERS</u></b>	Block History stories	NNO stories	Photos from past block parties & NNO events	Oldest resident award
	Longest resident award	Newest resident award	Mixer: “Find a person who...”	Neighborhood Watch Award
<b><u>ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH</u></b>	Bike parade	Board games	Skits	Make a mural or banner
	Coloring contest	Pony rides	McGruff	3-legged race
	Football, baseball, basketball	Roller blade / skating	Youth parade with a theme	Jump rope
	Chalk art	Face painting	Bubbles	Sack races
	Magic shows	Sing-alongs	Water Balloons	Frisbee competition
	Pinata	Clowns	Bike Safety	Child ID kits
<b><u>ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES</u></b>	Block party	Cookout	Parade	Jump rope contest
	Hula Hoop Contest	Barbecue	Street dance	Volleyball game
	Storytelling (truth or fiction)	Celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, etc.	Scavenger hunt	Visits from Police, Fire & EMS
	Crime prevention videos	Karaoke	Rummage sale	Music & DJ
	Dunk tank	Movies	Sandy beach party	Street carnival
	Jail & Bail	K-9 demonstration	Funniest hat contest	Horse shoes
	Live music	Welcome new neighbors	Photo contest	Self Defense Demonstration
<b><u>CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY</u></b>	Collect for a food bank	Beautify a common area	Plan a fall clean-up or bulb planting	Recruit additional Neighborhood Watch leaders and block captains
	Discuss neighborhood concerns/problems. <b><u>CREATE SOLUTIONS</u></b>	Distribute neighborhood block list, phone numbers, etc.	Discuss outdoor lighting in the area	Collect school supplies

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

**Q: Why should I register with San Antonio if I registered at the National site?**

A: When we receive your registration San Antonio can count that party in our National entry. Also we send the party site information to dignitaries that try to attend as many as possible.

**Q: Is “NNO” just for already established Neighborhood Watch areas?**

A: No!! NNO is for all blocks and neighborhoods in your community. Existing ‘Watch’ areas will likely already be participating but NNO is city –wide.

**Q: Is “NNO” just for residential neighborhoods?**

A: No!! NNO is for all areas in your community. Businesses, schools, and other organizations can register their own NNO Party.

**Q: Can we begin our activities earlier than 6:00 p.m.?**

A: Yes the fact the sun does not set until a particular time should not affect the scheduling of your activities. The illumination of porch lights is symbolic. Early starts are fine. Late starts (past 7 pm) though can be a problem because residents will have already settled into other evening activities.

**Q: How do I have my street closed for the event?**

A: By contacting your city councilperson. There may be a fee so start early when planning to collect funding.

**Q: It’s so hot this time of year. Does our event have to occur outside?**

A: No. Many neighborhoods have their events in community centers, clubhouses or traveling from one resident’s home to another. It’s up to you. Those FFAN fans will come in handy as you will see.

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## **HELPFUL WEB SITES:**

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| 1. San Antonio Police Department   | <a href="http://www.sanantonio.gov/sapd">www.sanantonio.gov/sapd</a>           |
| 2. National Volunteers In Policing | <a href="http://www.policevolunteers.org">www.policevolunteers.org</a>         |
| 3. Emergency Preparedness          | <a href="http://www.sanantonio.gov/emergency">www.sanantonio.gov/emergency</a> |
| 4. National Association Town Watch | <a href="http://www.natw.org">www.natw.org</a>                                 |
| 5. San Antonio Fire Department     | <a href="http://www.sanantonio.gov/safd">www.sanantonio.gov/safd</a>           |

# **PUBLIC SAFETY CONTACT**

## **PHONE NUMBER LIST**

<b>SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>			
<b>SAPD Headquarters</b>	210.207.7610	<b>Chief's Office</b>	210.207.7360
<b>North Patrol</b>	210.207.8126	<b>North SAFFE</b>	210.207.8350
<b>Central Patrol</b>	210.207.7410	<b>Central SAFFE</b>	210.207.7413
<b>Prue Rd. Patrol</b>	210.207.7435	<b>Prue Rd. SAFFE</b>	210.207.7169
<b>South Patrol</b>	210.207.8191	<b>South SAFFE</b>	210.207.8964
<b>East Patrol</b>	210.207.7781	<b>East SAFFE</b>	210.207.7566
<b>West Patrol</b>	210.207.7420	<b>West SAFFE</b>	210.207.7421
<b>SAN ANTONIO FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>			
<b>SAFD Headquarters</b>	210.207.8400	<b>Fire Safety Education</b>	210.207.7953
<b>SAN ANTONIO CONTACTS</b>			
<b>Code Compliance</b>	210.207.6513	<b>COSA Customer Svc.</b>	3-1-1
<b>Health Department</b>	210.207.8638	<b>City Public Service</b>	210.353.4357
<b>San Antonio Water System</b>	210.704.7297	<b>Animal Control</b>	210.207.6650
<b>BEXAR COUNTY CONTACTS</b>			
<b>Sheriff's Office</b>	210.353.6010	<b>Sheriff – Dare &amp; Crime Prevention</b>	210.226.0303
<b>Sheriff – Patrol East</b>	210.226.0303	<b>Sheriff – Patrol West</b>	210.647.3411
<b>Sheriff – Patrol South</b>	830.701.3600	<b>Sheriff – Victim Assist.</b>	210.226.0303
<b>Sheriff – Public Relations</b>	210.335.6719	<b>Probation Office</b>	210.335.7200
<b>Constables Office: P-1</b>	210.335.2806	<b>Constables Office: P-2</b>	210.335.4850
<b>Constables Office: P-3</b>	210.335.4750	<b>Constables Office: P-4</b>	210.335.4950

## SAN ANTONIO FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE STATION CONTACTS

For those of you who wish to invite your local Fire Fighters we are providing a copy of the addresses so you can send a written invitation asking them to participate in your NNO Event.

STATION	ADDRESS	ZIP CODE	STATION	ADDRESS	ZIP CODE
1	801 E. Houston	78205	26	4140 Culebra	78228
2	601 Gillette	78201	27	1518 Hillcrest	78228
3	1425 E. Commerce	78202	28	815 El Monte	78201
4	1430 N. St. Mary's	78215	29	827 Hot Wells	78223
5	1011 Mason	78208	30	919 Gembler Rd.	78219
6	503 W. Russell	78212	31	11802 West Ave.	78216
7	1414 S. St. Mary's	78205	32	2235 Babcock	78229
8	619 S. Hamilton	78207	33	2002 SW 36th St.	78228
9	649 Delmar	78210	34	15300 Babcock Rd.	78249
10	1107 Culebra	78201	35	7038 Culebra	78238
11	610 S. Frio	78207	36	5826 Ray Ellison Dr.	78242
12	408 Clarence Tinker	78241	37	11011 Vance Jackson	78230
13	3203 S. Presa	78210	38	6000 Distribution	78218
14	2515 Tousand Oaks	78232	39	10750 Nacogdoches	78233
15	3150 Ruiz	78228	40	14331 O'Connor Rd.	78247
16	1519 Nogalitos	78204	41	9146 Dover Ridge	78250
17	8545 Jones Maltsberger	78216	42	10400 Horn	78240
18	1463 South W.W. White	78220	43	2055 Bitters Rd.	78248
19	1310 Vance Jackson	78201	44	1351 Horal	78227
20	3347 South W.W. White	78222	45	10711 Western Hills	78251
21	5537 S. Flores	78214	46	1165 Evans Rd.	78258
22	1100 March	78214	47	19803 IH 10 W	78257
23	International Airport	78216	48	3900 N. FM 1604 E.	78247
24	1956 Austin Highway	78218	49	8710 Mystic Park	78250
25	1038 New Laredo Hwy	78211	50	12703 Applewhite Rd.	78224

**Note:** the San Antonio NNO Office will NOT be responsible for scheduling Police Officers or Firefighters participation. Please make sure each individual neighborhood representative makes such arrangements with their local police and fire stations.